Michigan
MANDATORY FIRE REPORTING LAW

Michigan fire departments are required to report fire incidents pursuant to 1941 PA 207, MCL 29.4, the Michigan Fire Prevention Code,

29.4   Fire Incident Report

Sec. 4. (1) The chief of each organized fire department or the clerk of each city, village or township not having an organized fire department, immediately after the occurrence of fire within the official's jurisdiction resulting in loss of life or property, shall make and file with the state fire marshal a complete fire incident report of the fire. The report shall be made on and according to modules supplied by the state fire marshal.

29.22   Violations; penalties

Sec. 22. (1)   Except as otherwise provided for in this act, a person who violates this act, or who maintains a fire hazard in violation of this act, or rule promulgated pursuant to this act, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

29.5g   Fire, explosion, spill, leak, accident, or related occurrence; notice of details.

Sec. 5g.   Immediately following a fire, explosion, spill, leak, accident, or related occurrence which involves the transportation, storage, handling, sale, use, or processing of hazardous material by a firm, person, or vehicle, the owner of the firm or vehicle or the person and the chief of the first police department or organized fire department upon the scene of the incident shall notify the state fire marshal and the organized fire department of the area in which the incident occurred of the known details regarding the incident.

ALL FIRE & HAZ MAT INCIDENT REPORTS ARE TO BE REPORTED ELECTRONICALLY TO THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL ON A MONTHLY BASIS.

<u>REQUIRED</u>   NFIRS 5.0 Modules for Michigan

NFIRS-1 Basic

This module is required for every type of incident (or emergency call) to which a department responds.

NFIRS-2 Fire

This module is used to describe each **_fire_** incident to which the fire department responds and must be used in conjunction with the Basic Module. For wildland fire incidents, the Wildland Fire Module can be used instead of the Fire Module.

NFIRS-3   Structure Fire

This module is used to describe each **_structure fire_** to which your fire department responds. This module must be used in conjunction with the Basic Module and Fire Module.

**NFIRS-4   Civilian Fire
            Casualty**

This module captures data regarding any civilian casualty private citizen, non-fire department emergency medical service responders, and police) associated with **fire-related** incidents. To report non-fire-related injuries to civilians the EMS Module can be used.

**NFIRS-5   Fire Service
            Casualty**

This module is completed whenever fire service personnel are injured or killed. This module can also be used to report the exposure of a firefighter to chemicals or biological agents at an incident where that exposure does not result in any symptoms at that time but where that exposure or accumulated exposures could lead to an illness at a later date.

NFIRS-7   HazMat

This module is use whenever the Basic Module indicates "other" when documenting the hazardous materials release. A reportable hazmat incident with NFIRS 5.0 is:
-   when hazmat resources were dispatched or used or should have been dispatched or used, for assessing, mitigating or managing the situation,
                    OR
-   when releases or spills of hazardous materials exceed 55 gallons.

<u>OPTIONAL</u>   NFIRS 5.0 Modules for Michigan

NFIRS-6 EMS

This module offers a standard means for a local fire department to capture basic information on the emergency medical services that it provides. *Note*: This is not a patient care record, but should be used in conjunction with the local requirements for patient care. This module must be used in conjunction with the Basic Module.

NFIRS-8 Wildland Fire

Generally speaking, a reportable wildland fire is: any fire involving vegetative fuels that occurs on wildland or urban-wildland interface areas, including those fires that threaten or consume structures. "Wildland" is an area where development is essentially non-existent, except for roads, railroads, power lines and similar facilities. This module must be used in conjunction with the Basic Module and replaces the Fire Module for wildland fire incidents.

The DNR will work closely with fire departments in filling out this module when applicable.

NFIRS-9 Apparatus or Resources

This module is a local option. It will identify the apparatus sent to each incident, time of arrival/clearance, number of people aboard, use, and actions taken**. The Apparatus/Resources Module <u>or</u> the Personnel Module may be used, but not both.** This module can be used in conjunction with the Basic Module for any type of incident.

NFIRS-10 Personnel

This module is also a local option and some of the data **may not be forwarded to the state. The Personnel Module <u>or</u> the Apparatus/Resources Module may be used, but not both.**

NFIRS-11 Arson

The Arson Module can be used to identify when and where the crime of arson takes place, what form it takes, and the characteristics of its targets and perpetrators.

NFIRS-11 Juvenile Firesetter

This module can be used to identify characteristics of persons under the age of 18 involved in fire setting. This module can be used if the cause of ignition (E1 on the Fire Module) is intentional (code 1) and the Arson Module is completed or if the cause of ignition is unintentional (code 2).